

**APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES LETTERS PATENT  
DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **SECURITY FASTENER AND METHOD OF SECURING LUGGAGE** the specification of which is filed herewith.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.\*

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE (DAY-MONTH- YEAR)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 USC§119
			YES [ ] NO [ ]
			YES [ ] NO [ ]

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Codes, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application.

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\* In Non-Convention cases, a listing of all filings and current status of cases filed more than a year before the U.S. filing is required to comply with 37 CFR 1.56(a). Such a listing may be attached.

60/376,458  
(Application Serial No.)

April 30, 2002  
(Filing Date)

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(Status - patented, pending,  
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I hereby certify that all statements made of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

And I hereby appoint: Philip E. Roux, Reg. No. 31,295 and the firm of Clifford Chance Rogers & Wells LLP, as my attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

Send all correspondence to Philip E. Roux, Clifford Chance Rogers & Wells LLP., 200 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10166-0153.

Wherefore I pray that Letters Patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, and I hereby subscribe my name to the foregoing specification and claims, declaration and power of attorney and this petition.

Full name of sole or first inventor: Loren Redburn

Inventor's Signature: [Signature] Date: April 22, 2003

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Full name of sole or second inventor: Kenneth F. Florek

Inventor's Signature: [Signature] Date: 4/20/03

Residence: 8 Shadowbrook Drive, Colts Neck, NJ 07722

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<p>3. Nature of conveyance:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignment <input type="checkbox"/> Merger</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Security Agreement <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Name</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p> <p>Execution Date: <u>April 24, 2002</u></p>	<p>4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):</p> <p>If this document is being filed together with a new application, execution date of the application is: _____</p> <p>A. Patent Application No(s). B. Patent No(s).</p> <p>60/376,458 10/123,454</p> <p>Additional number(s) attached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p>5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning the document should be mailed:</p> <p>Name: <u>Kenneth F. Florek, Esq.</u></p> <p>Address: <u>HEDMAN &amp; COSTIGAN, P.C.</u></p> <p><u>1185 Avenue of the Americas</u></p> <p>City: <u>New York</u> State: <u>NY</u> Zip: <u>10036</u></p> <p>6. Total number of applications and patents involved: <u>2</u></p>	<p>7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) <u>\$40.00</u> is</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> authorized to be charged to Deposit Account _____</p> <p>8. Deposit Account Number: <u>50-0521</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Authorization is given to charge Deposit Account if the enclosed fee is deficient.</p>

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## 9. Statement and signature:

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Philip E. Roux, Reg. No. 31,295  
Name

Signature

April 28, 2003  
Date

## ASSIGNMENT

In consideration of one (1) dollar and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Kenneth F. Florek, residing at 8 Shadowbrook Drive, Colts Neck, NJ 07722, does hereby sell and assign to George E. Florek, residing at 348 Fairview Avenue, Cedar Grove, NJ 07009, his successors and assigns the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and improvements in SECURITY FASTENER AND METHOD OF SECURING LUGGAGE, as described in United States Provisional Patent Application No. 60/376,458 filed on April 30, 2002, and SECURITY IDENTIFICATION TAG, as described in United States Patent Application No. 10/123,454 filed on April 15, 2002, and all applications for patent and patents therefor in any and all countries, including all thereof, and all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said United States applications, and authorize and request any official whose duty it is to issue patents, to issue any patents on said improvements or resulting therefrom to said George E. Florek, or his successors or assigns and agree that on request and without further consideration, but at the expense of George E. Florek, Kenneth F. Florek will communicate to George E. Florek, or his representatives or nominees any facts known respecting said application and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid George E. Florek, his successors, assigns and nominees to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said inventions and improvements in all countries.

**Kenneth F. Florek**

June 30, 2002

State of \_\_\_\_\_ )  
County of \_\_\_\_\_ ) ss.

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2002, before me personally came the above named Kenneth F. Florek, to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

**Notary Public**